

Advisory

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Severe weather update from Department of Homeland Security and other state agencies

## **New Items in BOLD**

### CURRENT SITUATION

- Long term logistics needs are being identified and put into place. Debris is starting to become an issue in the impacted areas.
- Levee in Daviess County has breached. Most residents around the levee doing self-evacuation around Maysville levee with six DNR boats and 10 officers in the area. Residents being evacuated to the town of Washington. Well field is completely out of service due to flooding of pump controls.
- White River: Petersburg (rising but only roads and agriculture impacted); Centerton, Eagle Valley, Spencer, Elliston (steady or falling);
- The East Fork of the White: Bedford, Williams, Shoals (Rising within 3 ft from crests); Riverdale, Columbus, Seymour (Falling)
- At Edwardsport, the White has crested and is steady. Downstream, river levels at Petersburg are rising. Sandbag delivery in process for Edwardsport (Knox)
- The Wabash: Mt. Carmel, (crest of white river and Wabash will arrive at this location around Friday afternoon); Hazelton (White River will crest near record stage at 28.7ft on Friday afternoon); New Harmony (Rising but 5-7ft from crests); Riverton, Vincennes, (Rising within inches of crest), Hutsonville (steady); Montezuma, Clinton, Terre Haute (Falling).
- The Muscatatuck River: **steady**.
- Duke Energy Plant in Edwardsport shut down due to flooding. National Guard deployed to provide sandbagging assistance.
- Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel and aircraft have completed assigned missions and are standing down from flood response operations.
- Jasonville (Greene) request for 30,000 sandbags backed off to 1,000 now recommitted to 30,000.

### FLOOD CONTROL

- **JOHNSON COUNTY:**
  - Prince's Lakes (3 loads of sand to be delivered); East Lake, concern; North Lake, concern; Earlham Lake, failed (located above Lamb Lake); Lamb Lake, OK; Hood Lake, concern; Upper Peoga Lake, concern (located above Lower Peoga Lake); Lower Peoga Lake, OK
- **MORGAN COUNTY:**
  - Camp Victor, failed (located above Bailey Lake); Bailey Lake concern; Upper Wildwood, concern (located above Lower Wildwood); Lower Wildwood, concern; Upper Spring, OK; Lower Spring, concern; Fox Run, concern;
- **PARK COUNTY**
  - Racoon Lake / Cecil Hardin Lake – USACE will not release water and allow water to back up into the park to prevent flooding downriver.
- **BROWN COUNTY:**
  - Yellowood Lake, damage to spillway foundation but not a threat (the spillway already was being prepared)
- **OWEN COUNTY:**
  - Greybrook, failed; Amazon, concern; Hollybrook, concern
- **BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY:**

- **Schaefer Lake, concern (overtopped and damaged; emergency spillway completely**
- Sandbagging efforts continue in: Daviess, Dubois, Green, Johnson, Knox (Duke Energy Plant), Morgan, Putnam, Shelby (Flat Rock Post Office), and Vigo (**awaiting Lake County sand bag machine**) counties.
- **Bennington Levee – Overtopped, flooding in process, evacuations underway**

## STATE AGENCIES ACTIVE IN RESPONSE OPERATIONS

- Department of Natural Resources:
  - **DNR Division of Law Enforcement has 15 conservation officers staged in the Washington area with 5 johnboats and 3 airboats and are evacuating residents near Washington. They are presently monitoring a 150-foot levee breach on the White River's west fork at Daviess County Road 700 N near Washington. Two officers are staged downstream near Hazelton.**
  - **Flood victims got a measure of relief Wednesday when DNR Director Robert E. Carter Jr. announced an emergency rule that temporarily suspends permit requirements for certain reconstruction activities and debris removal in flooded areas. The emergency rule is applicable in 29 counties and only in the following instances:**
    - **Reconstruction of bridge and culvert crossings damaged by floodwaters;**
    - **Removal of logjams and debris from the channel of a waterway;**
    - **Stabilization and repair of stream banks eroded by floodwaters.**

**Under normal conditions, such work requires a permit under Indiana Code 14-28-1, but that requirement is waved until Oct. 1 for the following counties: Bartholomew, Boone, Brown, Clay, Daviess, Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Greene, Henry, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Monroe, Morgan, Ohio, Owen, Randolph, Ripley, Rush, Shelby, Sullivan, Union, Vermillion, Vigo and Wayne.**
- Indiana State Police:
  - Morgan County
    - Forty (40) DOC inmates from Pendleton and Indiana Youth Center are assisting with clean up in Martinsville.
    - **SR 142 from Wilbur to SR 39 is now open**
  - Vermillion County
    - **SR 163 is open**
  - Greene County
    - **SR 59 is open**
    - **SR 67 from Spencer to Sanborn is now open**
    - **SR 231 from Bloomfield to Daviess County is now open**
  - Bartholomew County
    - **SR 9 – 3 ½ miles north of intersection of SR 9 and SR 46 now open**
  - Jackson County
    - **SR 258 from Cortland to Seymour now open**
  - Morgan County
    - **SR 37 @ Egbert Road southbound (1 lane) is now open**
  - Daviess County
    - **Plainville area levee appears to still be giving way. 2 troopers in area assisting with evacuation. Mostly farmland, very few homes.**
- Indiana Department of Transportation

For road conditions go to [EMERGENCY.IN.gov](http://EMERGENCY.IN.gov)

- State Department of Health
  - The State Department of Health FAQs have been updated on the state's Storm Damage Information Web site at: <http://www.in.gov/gov/3725.htm>. Find tips for safely cleaning up after a flood.
  - The State Department of Health says people in flooded areas should thoroughly wash any cuts, scrapes, scratches, or other skin injuries with soap and water and apply an antiseptic and bandages to make sure they do not become infected. Injuries exposed to floodwater and debris should be closely watched for signs of infection (redness, swelling, pain, drainage). See your health care provider right away if those symptoms develop.
  - Hoosiers should wear gloves, if possible, when cleaning items exposed to floodwater to prevent exposure to residual water and injury.
  - State health officials recommend tetanus shots for Hoosiers in flooded areas who have not received one within the past 10 years, especially if they have sustained any skin injuries that were exposed to floodwater. Tetanus shots are available from your doctor or local health department.
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management

**Spill incidents: On-scene coordinators are discussing priorities before being deployed in the field today.** Emergency response personnel are working to investigate and, as necessary, help contain and stabilize reported spills and releases in several communities, including Martinsville, Franklin, Nashville, Poland, Terre Haute, Nashville, and Daviess County.

  - **Wastewater Treatment Plants:** Switz City, West Terre Haute, Worthington, Lyons wastewater treatment plants have outages or are still under water. The status of some facilities is unknown due to impassible roads. IDEM will respond when facilities request assistance.
  - **Debris management:** IDEM fact sheets on emergency burning and emergency debris management are available at [www.in.gov/idem/4522.htm](http://www.in.gov/idem/4522.htm) . An inspector will meet with City of Franklin personnel to discuss waste disposal plans. Waste disposal inspectors are standing by to work with county, city and local officials as flood waters recede.
  - **Agriculture Facilities:** The National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announced that recovery funding may be available. Information is available at <http://www.brownfieldnetwork.com/gestalt/go.cfm?objectid=6F4698B6-E16B-E74C-0F645B74C59730FF>
  - **Livestock operations:** IDEM, with the assistance of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, is in the process of assessing conditions at manure lagoons around the state.
- Agriculture – IBOAH and ISDA
  - If farmers have livestock losses (deaths), they should go to the Indiana Board of Animal Health website at [www.in.gov/boah](http://www.in.gov/boah) or call 317-227-0300.
  - If farmers have manure, pesticides or other farm chemicals that have spilled due to flooding, they should contact the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's Spill Hotline at 317-233-7745 or 1-888-233-7745.

- Indiana National Guard
  - **The Indiana National Guard has a total of 29 water trailers deployed to the following communities: Jasper (1), Martinsville (2), Linton (5), Vincennes (4), Washington (3), Evansville (3), Hymera (1), St. Bernice (1), Sweetwater (1), Hope (4), Nineveh (2), Indian Creek (2)**
  - **1,301 soldiers sandbagging in 7 locations around southern Indiana (moving personnel to Hazleton and Vincennes)**

#### LOCAL DISASTER DECLARATION

Bartholomew, Boone, Brown, Clay, Daviess, Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Greene, Henry, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Monroe, Morgan, Ohio, Owen, Randolph, Ripley, Rush, Shelby, Sullivan, Union, Vermillion, Vigo, and Wayne.

#### HEALTH, SAFETY & SECURITY

- 3 fatalities: Morgan, and Bartholomew counties

#### SHELTER OPERATIONS

Johnson County: Community Church of Greenwood, 1477 W. Main St., Greenwood

Morgan County: Martinsville High School, 1360 E. Gray St., Martinsville, IN

Brown County: Brown County YMCA, 105 Willow Street, Nashville, IN

Bartholomew County: Northside Middle School, 1400 27th St., Columbus, IN

Bartholomew County: Columbus North High School, 1400 25th St., Columbus, IN

Owen County: Spencer Elementary, 151 E Hillside Ave, Spencer, IN

Vigo County: North High School, 3434 Maple Ave, Terre Haute, IN

Jackson County: Medora Conservation Club, Medora, IN

Knox County: North Knox High School, 10890 N. State Road 159, Bicknell, IN

Total Shelter Population: 1,325 (Up from 273 on last report)

#### CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES

Status of Utilities:

- *Gas*
- *Boil Orders*
  - **Washington (Daviess County) has issued a “Conservation Order” and is in the evaluation process of whether a “Boil Water Order” or a “Do Not Consume Order” should be issued.**
  - Service was disrupted for nearly 1500 IW-Morgan customers over the weekend because of the record flooding.
  - Service has been restored to all customers and all water from IW is safe for consumption
  - The remaining 35 customers on Huggins Hollow Road may now consume water without boiling. Test results were negative for any type of contamination
  - Final water quality test results received this morning show no contamination in the Indianapolis Water-Morgan system following main breaks over the weekend due to flooding.
  - Boil order in Columbus expected to be lifted this evening.
- *Water System Failures*
  - **Worthington (Greene County) waste water treatment plant operator is unable to get to facility. Several lift stations are underwater and not working.**
  - Emergency water for the following
    - Rural Vigo County -25,000 people for one week. Total 175,000 gal. of water
    - Gosport (Owen County) -700 people for two days. Total 1400 gal. of water
    - Freedom (Owen County) -700 people for two days. Total 1400 gal. of water.
    - Jasonville/Colemont (Greene County) - 3200 people for two weeks. Total 44,800 gal. of water

- Hymera (Sullivan County) - 1200 people for two weeks. Total 16,800 gal. of water.
- *Sewer*
  - Greene County – Switz City shut down due to flooding
- *Power*
  - Duke Energy Generating Plant in Edwardsport shut down due to flooding. Sandbagging underway by IN National Guard.
  - IPL has reports that **4000** customers are still without power

#### SUMMARY OF STATE AGENCY RESPONSE OPERATIONS

##### Total Number of State Personnel Deployed

- Indiana Public Safety Commission – 1
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management – **5**
- Indiana Department of Transportation – 110
- Indiana Department of Administration - **1**
- Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission – 1
- Indiana State Police – **75**
- Department of Natural Resources – 40
- Indiana National Guard – **1301+**
- Aviation Support throughout the state - Five UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters, one OH-58 helicopter
- Board of Animal Health – 2
- Indiana State Department of Health – 10
- Indiana Department of Homeland Security – **40**
- Indiana Department of Corrections - 62

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